## Mitchel Field Site Visit January 29, 2018

Monday/29<sup>th</sup>: Met PWD Plumbers at Health Clinic, B19

- Arrived at 0915.
- Plumbers (b) (6) and (b) (6) had been on site since approximately 0700 and were able to access the building.
- Barry, who provides custodial services to the clinic and Tito, RV Global were present when I arrived.
- The plumbers made a thorough assessment aided by Barry and Tito who showed them various water line breaks and valves.
- The decision was made to make repairs necessary to restore (3) restrooms.
- The remaining repairs to restore water to the exam room sinks will need much more time and will not be taken care of on this visit.
- Plumbers made a Material List and were able to locate the correct size in Stamford CT. Working with (b) (6)
   they were able to arrange for material pick-up at 0700 Tuesday.
- 0700 Tuesday (through snow) plumbers arrived to pick up, had some funding issues but got it straightened out and on the road back to make repairs by 0900.
- 1330 received text that job is complete, plumbers were returning to Groton.

## I spoke privately with Barry who reported to me the following events beginning 16 January:

**1830**: Barry went to B19 to instruct the custodian to leave faucets running.

- He found water running out from under the pharmacy door and also back in the exam room area.
- Barry called (b) (6) who called the pharmacist to open the door.
- Also Tito was notified to shut off water to building.
- Barry began to shop vac the pharmacy. The pharmacy was locked again and the pharmacist left once the water was vacuumed up.
- Tito arrived and reportedly closed the valve. Water began gushing and the custodian's husband was called to help. There were 3 or 4 shop vacs going and (b) (6) arrived to help, too.

2200: Tito was on his phone and said he can't reach the Navy and left. Water continued to pour.

• The Pharmacist was called back to reopen the pharmacy and the working party of Barry, custodian/husband, (b) (6) stayed vacuuming water.

**Soon After**: Barry called Tito to ask where the valve was located.

- Barry found the valve, an old gate valve that was fully open. Barry was able to close that valve, and heard the
  water subsiding in the pipes. It had been partially opened before (low flow) and Tito mistakenly opened it all the
  way instead of closing it causing a heavy flow from water main pressure.
- Barry looked further and found a new ball valve USP installed next to the old gate valve that was easy to turn
  off.

**0500**: Working party ceased, **(b) (6)** worked that day (17<sup>th</sup>)





**ORIGINAL CONDITION DISCOVERED** 

**AFTER TITO MISTAKENLY OPENED THE VALVE** 



**EXAM ROOM AREA ORIGINAL CONDITION** 

**EXAM ROOM HALLWAY AFTER VALVE WAS OPENED** 



Approx Totals Removed: Drywall 426lf, Insulation 460sf, Cove base 652lf, Ceiling Tile/grid 562sf, Carpet 1161sf MITFIE-16 NEX Retail Store

BldgMgr: (b) (6)

- Store/Building Manager was not present. She emailed and asked me to meet with her assistant.
- Did an abbreviated walk-around inspection. Met new store personnel.
- Additional Exit signs are still needed in the Retail Floor area, per Fire Inspection.

## MITFIE-19 Med Clinic

BldgMgr: (b) (6)

- RTU Install scheduled to begin 1/31 and be finished by 2/1.
- Tito informed (b) (6) that, without water the unit will be sitting up there unusable. He told her they will put it up there and not start it up. (There is no water requirement for that unit or the existing, broken unit. It's a package unit using a compressor for cooling and a gas fired heater.)

## MITFIE-84 Commissary

BldgMgr: (b) (6)

• Commissary was closed but spoke with Grocery Manager. Grease trap pumping was in progress. NOTE: Demolition project resumed, contractor on property 1/26. Did not see contractor on this visit.



**PREVIOUS LOCATION OF BUILDING 35, COLD STORAGE**